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All references were cited in an Office Action dated August 17, 1998 in German Application No. 198 02 524.6. An English language translation of said Office Action is attached hereto.

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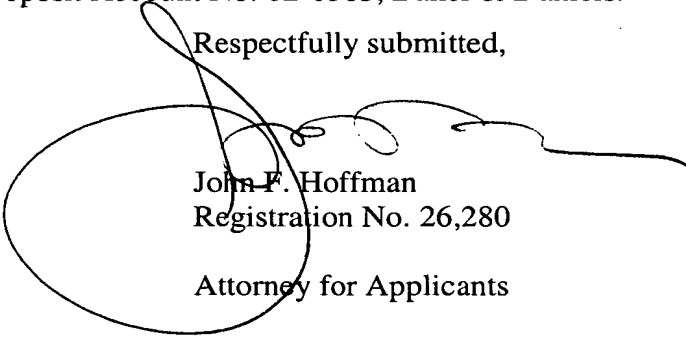
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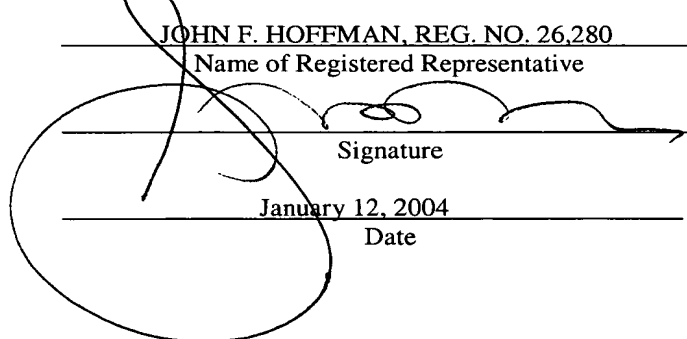
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